

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JAMES MYRON,)	No. C 99-21265 EJD (PR)
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Plaintiff,)	ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR
)	CONTINUANCE AND GRANTING
vs.)	EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE AN
)	AMENDED COMPLAINT;
)	REQUESTING ATTORNEY
CAL TERHUNE, et al.,)	GENERAL'S OFFICE TO PROVIDE
)	COPIES OF DOCUMENTS TO
Defendants.)	PLAINTIFF
)	
_____)	(Docket No. 253)

Plaintiff filed a pro se civil rights complaint under 42 U.S.C. § 1983, alleging unconstitutional acts by Salinas Valley State Prison ("SVSP") officials. On September 27, 2012, the Court denied Defendants' motion to dismiss and motion for more definite statement, and dismissed the complaint with leave to amend within twenty-eight days of the order. (Docket No. 251.)

On October 11, 2012, Plaintiff filed a motion for a continuance and relief, requesting an indefinite period of time to file an amended complaint and a request for documents from Defendants. (Docket No. 253.) Defendants filed a response opposing an indefinite extension of time, asserting that a extension of thirty days is appropriate. (Docket No. 254.)

1 Plaintiff asserts that he is missing “evidence, work product, legal pleadings,
2 discovery and case law” and that “without these documents” he “can not [*sic*] show that
3 the defendants proximately caused the constitutional violations by showing the exact
4 affirmative acts or participation in those acts by others.” (Mot. at 2.) In support, Plaintiff
5 attaches a copy of his inmate grievance on the matter. (Mot. Attach.) However, the
6 Director’s Level Decision reveals that while at Wasco State Prison (“WSP”) Plaintiff was
7 provided with 12 of the 14 missing boxes of legal material which were allegedly damaged
8 by water. (*Id.* at 1.) Senior Librarian Rojas attested to personally copying all of
9 Plaintiff’s paperwork and stated that Plaintiff did not complain to her about the copies.
10 (*Id.*) The Court notes that Plaintiff submitted this inmate grievance on December 21,
11 2011, at which time he already had 12 boxes of legal material. Also attached is an inmate
12 grievance filed on August 20, 2012, claiming that WSP sent only 16 out of 17 boxes
13 during his recent transfer. However, Plaintiff fails to identify what legal documents he is
14 missing by this lost box.

15 Defendants assert that Plaintiff has no justification for an extension. They assert
16 that he was provided with “1573 copies of legal documents pages” in February 2009
17 which he refused to review despite the fact that he had asked prison officials for them to
18 help refresh his recollection of the case. (Opp. at 2.) The Directors Level Decision also
19 granted relief in directing WSP to investigate the matter and resolve the question of
20 whether Plaintiff had received all his property during the transfer in December 2011.

21 For the foregoing reasons, the Court finds that an indefinite continuance is not
22 appropriate, but will grant Plaintiff an extension time to file an amended complaint.
23 Plaintiff shall file an amended complaint **no later than fifty-six (56) days from the date**
24 **this order is filed.**

25 Plaintiff requests that the Attorney General’s Office provide copies of the
26 pleadings and the “C” file documents they had previously replaced, and also requests that
27 the CDCR Internal Affairs Office “conduct a full and fair investigation into all of
28 Plaintiff’s legal and personal property lost, stolen or destroyed” by various prisons. In the

1 interest of justice, the Attorney's General Office is requested to comply with Plaintiff's
2 request and provide the requested documents one final time, and to provide notice of
3 compliance with this request within twenty days of the date this order is filed. Plaintiff's
4 request for an internal affairs investigation is DENIED as being beyond the scope of this
5 action. The inmate appeals process is the appropriate avenue for relief with regards to his
6 missing property claim.

7 This order terminates Docket No. 253.

8 DATED: 10/26/2012


EDWARD J. DAVILA
United States District Judge

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v.

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Defendants.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am an employee in the Office of the Clerk, U.S. District Court, Northern District of California.

That on 10/29/2012, I SERVED a true and correct copy(ies) of the attached, by placing said copy(ies) in a postage paid envelope addressed to the person(s) hereinafter listed, by depositing said envelope in the U.S. Mail, or by placing said copy(ies) into an inter-office delivery receptacle located in the Clerk's office.

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Dated: 10/29/2012

Richard W. Wieking, Clerk
/s/ By: Elizabeth Garcia, Deputy Clerk